

*Circa 2005*

**CM2.0, CM2.1** – state of the art physical climate models (1° ocn; 2° atm)

**IPCC AR4 Models**

*Circa 2010*

**ESM2M, ESM2G**

- Carbon cycle
- Vegetation feedback
- Ocean formulation

**HIRAM**

- High spatial resolution (atm only)
- Time-slice experiments
- Climate extremes

**CM3 (Primary Physical Model)**

- Aerosols, indirect effect
- Stratosphere
- Convection, Land Model
- Atmospheric Chemistry

**CM2.5**

- High spatial resolution (coupled)
- Energetic ocean
- **Variability and change in coupled system at high resolution**

**IPCC AR5 Models**

**“CM4” ??** - drawing on what is learned from these various streams, and advancing

# A Vision for MOM Evolution

GFDL is engaged in a multi-year project to unify capabilities from MOM5 with GFDL's generalized layered ocean model, GOLD.

- MOM6 is motivated by ocean/climate science challenges:
  - Wide range of time scales – seasonal to decadal to centennial
  - Wide range of space scales – e.g., mesoscale eddy resolving for global climate
  - Increasingly comprehensive – e.g., coupling to biogeochemistry, ecosystem, icebergs and ice shelf models
- MOM6 will employ state-of-the-science numerical methods and physical parameterizations that are key to, for example,
  - respecting the integrity of ocean water-masses
  - capturing transient climate fluctuations
  - predicting climate variations
  - projecting future climate change
- MOM6 will incorporate GOLD's functionality for generalized vertical layers, and will retain a direct link to scientifically important MOM configurations.

# GFDL's MOM Commitment

- **Continue development of the MOM series, taking advantage of the scientific advances, expertise and experience.**
- **Making the state-of-the-art GFDL ocean models available to NCEP upon successful development and testing.**
- **Training in the use of the MOM series.**
- **Contribute to a unified NOAA Ocean-related modeling strategy, leading to useful NOAA products for scientific applications and predictions from the intraseasonal to interannual to decadal to centennial timescales.**
- **Collaborative research involving analysis of simulations with the newer models, and addressing NOAA's central challenges.**
- **Regular meetings with NCEP for monitoring progress in modeling.**

# The END

# Current NOAA/ GFDL Climate Modeling *including for CMIP5 and IPCC AR5 [Report in 2013]*

**Advancing the understanding of the climate and Earth System -  
the processes, mechanisms, and interactions**

**➔ reliable global- to regional-scale projections and predictions:**

- 1. Role of pollutant particulates and other short-lived species compared to long-lived gases such as carbon dioxide.**
- 2. Carbon and other biogeochemical cycles, uptake of carbon by land and oceans, and their roles in climate change.**
- 3. High-resolution, atmosphere-ocean models for seasonal- to-centennial variability, predictability and regional change.**
- 4. High-resolution models for understanding “weather extremes” in climate (e.g. hurricanes, heat waves and droughts).**